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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2005. Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension to file a reply by February 17, 2006. Authorization is also given to charge Account No. 50-0359 for the extension, or any other fees associated with the prosecution of this application.